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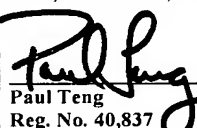Application of: Takashi YAMAMIZU et al.

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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This is a **Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.**

1. __   **Consider the unentered amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____.**

2. __   **Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.**

3. _X_   **Enclosed is/are**

        _X_   **Amendment (including transmittal)/Reply.**
        __   **Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).**
            __   **PTO-1449**
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        __   **Other (identify):** _____.

4. ___   **Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 is claimed.**

       ___   **A verified statement to establish small entity status is enclosed.**

       ___   **A verified statement to establish small entity status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired.**

5. _X_ **A check in the amount of $__790.00__ covering the RCE filing fee is enclosed.**

6. _X_ **The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No._03-3125_.**
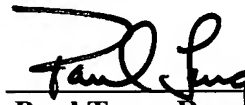
       ___   **RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).**
       ___   **Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17).**
       _X_   **Other fees (identify): any other required fees.**

7. _X_ **Three copies of this transmittal are enclosed.**

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